

Beowulf - comic book

Step by step instructions – follow these carefully!



STEP 1. Do your research

(you will need some examples of comic books for this task)

First study as many examples of comic books as you can.

Look particularly at the following:

a) Pictures

A comic book, like a film, is able to switch between different people's points of view, or ways of seeing things. This helps to make it more exciting to read.

Look at your bit of the poem. Which different viewpoints does it show?

How can you include these in your comic?

b) Words

Make a chart explaining how a comic strip uses words.

Example	What does the comic show?	How does it show it?
	<i>Loud noises</i>	<i>It spells the noise out, and writes it large to show that it is loud. It uses the shape of the writing to show how the noise sounds.</i>
	<i>Thoughts</i>	
	<i>Words that are shouted</i>	

Continue the chart and use it to help you think how you are going to illustrate your own comic.



STEP 2. Plan your own comic book

Next choose a section of the fight between Beowulf and Grendel to base your comic book on.

Think hard about how you will show this section using words and pictures effectively. Produce a rough draft first!



STEP 3. Create your comic book!

Once you are sure that your comic book is ready, create a final version.